Most New War Workers Women

Rise in Factory Employment Since April a Year Ago Is Shown.

WASHINGTON. — Secretary Perkins reports that in a net addition of 1,833,000 to the working force in American factories from April, 1942, to June this year, more than fourfifths were women.

But even more women must take their places on the assembly line, as full and part-time employees filling the gap caused by men entering the armed services," Miss Perkins asserted.

Also reporting the results of a survey of women in industry, the department of commerce stated that those now employed were proving the equal of the men whom they replaced, "with few exceptions."

Secretary Perkins, in reporting on the flow of women into war industries, said that the period since October, 1942, had seen an increase of 2,000,000 women in manufacturing industries as compared with an increase of 3,000,000 men. This brought the total number of women factory wage earners in June, 1943, to more than 4,250,000, or 30 per cent of all factory workers, she reported.

2,000,000 Making Arms.

"Nearly 2,000,000 women were engaged in June in the production of basic war materials," Miss Perkins said, "actually turning out the planes and implements of war for the use of the armed forces. Almost as many, or 1,454,500 women wage earners, were in the textile, apparel and leather industries where uniforms, tents, and other secondary war products are produced. The latter industries are traditional large employers of women. There were 262,100 women in the vitally important food industries."

The commerce department's report on women in industry resulted from a survey by the 12 regional business consultants of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, whose reports are summarized by Wilford White, acting chief of the regional economy division, in the September issue of the commerce department's publication, Domestic Commerce.

"Everywhere the business consultant turned," Mr. White said, "he found women at work, from soda fountain attendants to spot welding in shipyards. In fact, they turned up one young woman spot welder who has doubled the output of the trained man whom she replaced."

He added that probably half of the women now working in war industry would like to remain employed after the war.

Part-Time Work Stressed.

Another facet of the situation was brought out by one of the business consultants quoted by Mr. White. The consultant suggested:

"The greatest single handicap to the future utilization of women workers to relieve the manpower shortage in this area is probably an outmoded approach to the problem. We are still attempting to hire housewives to work a full eight-hour day, six days a week. There seem to be thousands of women who would welcome a chance to work four or five hours a day and spend the rest of the time doing necessary buying, cooking and housework."

In the same issue of the publication, the War Manpower commission was quoted as saying that for every woman working in war plants there must be five filling "unglamorous but vitally important civilian jobs." This need, the WMC said, must be filled by the end of 1943. A campaign to enroll women for war jobs will be staged next month, with the emphasis on less glamorous jobs.

Locust Storm Ravages Honan Province Crops

CHUNGKING.—A plague of locusts has ravaged ten large counties of fertile Honan province, the scene of a disastrous famine last year, and has blasted hopes of a bumper autumn harvest.

"They left absolutely nothing green, but only a yellow and desolate land in their wake," said Ernest M. Wampler of Harrisonburg, Va., representative of the American Advisory committee which has been supervising American relief funds distributed in Honan. He said 2½ million persons had been dependent on the crops devoured by the locusts.

Refugees from the Japanese-occupied portion of Honan say the Japanese have failed completely in famine-relief work, refusing to ship in food and letting thousands die from hunger.

Wampler said his committee since February had spent 14 million Chinese dollars on famine-refugee relief, but this was a mere "drop in the bucket" compared with actual needs.

Prisoner Writes Home For a Good Blanket

TEXARKANA, TEXAS. — The only thing the family of Lieut. Frank N. Aten knows about the German prison camp where he is held is that it is cold.

"Whatever you do," he wrote home, "send me either an Icelandic sleeping bag or a good blanket for I dread going through another winter."

Danger of Fire Lurks Constantly in Barns

Hazards May Be Removed By Simple Precautions

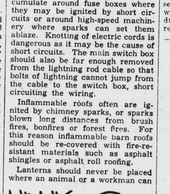
Barns generally house the farmer's most valuable livestock, equipment and feed; yet, the barn is packed with fire hazards. But to all practical purposes, all of the major causes of barn fires can be eliminated if the farmer will practice simple precautions and be constantly vigilant. The National Fire Protection association working with the Department of Agriculture, has compiled a list of these dangers.

Cobwebs, dust and litter of all kinds should not be allowed to ac-

cumulate around fuse boxes where they may be ignited by short circuits or around high-speed machinery where sparks can set them ablaze. Knotting of electric cords is dangerous as it may be the cause of short circuits. The main switch box should also be far enough removed from the lightning rod cable so that bolts of lightning cannot jump from the cable to the switch box, short circuiting the wiring.

Inflammable roofs often are ignited by chimney sparks, or sparks blown long distances from brush fires, bonfires or forest fires. For this reason inflammable barn roofs should be re-covered with fire-resistant materials such as asphalt shingles or asphalt roll roofing.

Lanterns should never be placed where an animal or a workman can



kick them over. They should not be hung on a twine from a dusty and cobweb-covered ceiling. They should be kept away from drafts and away from any accumulations of combustible materials. It was a cow kicking over a lantern that started the great Chicago fire, according to tradition, and many a barn has been destroyed in this way.

Smoking should be prohibited in the barn at all times. It is even dangerous to light up a pipe or a cigarette on the way out the barn door, as the sparks may be blown back to ignite combustible stores inside. Workmen are also advised against carrying loose matches.

Spontaneous combustion of hay is one of the most common barn fire causes. All hay should be properly cured before being stored in the mow and should be inspected frequently for signs of heating. Roof leaks creating moisture will start the heating process in perfectly cured hay.

In addition to these precautions, fire-fighting equipment should be kept on hand at all times to tackle any blaze that breaks out despite all carefulness. Each farm should have a long ladder, hose, buckets of water and sand reserved solely for fire use, and a fire extinguisher. To be effective these things must be kept in sound condition and in a spot where they are immediately available in an emergency.

Clear Pecan Groves

Clearing low producing trees and all foreign timber from a pecan grove often may double production in a relatively short time. According to J. F. Rosborough, horticulturist for the Texas A. and M. college, this clean-up has the further benefit of aiding in the control of certain insects and diseases, and facilitating the harvesting of nuts. In all cases, however, it should be followed through with the elimination of stumps and sprouts.

ADDITIONAL GIFTS TO WAR FUND CAMPAIGN

The following additional contributions to the War Fund Campaign have been reported since the publication of last week's list:

Negroes of Appomattox County as the following gifts:

Through the Carver School, C. A. Pennington, principal, teachers R.Q. Lawin, Eds. Johnson, Mrs. Mildred Delaney, Mrs. Teresa Hamlet, Mrs. Frances Harrison, Miss Josephine Patterson, Miss Hester Stepteens, Miss Sue Fain, — $76.00.

Through the Spout Spring school Mrs. Theda Harris, principal, Mrs. Mattie T. West, teacher,— $100.00.

Through the Stonewall school,Ella Johnson, teacher, — $14.67.

Through Morning Star school, Mrs. Florence Brantley, —$50.00.

Through Pamplin school, Mrs.Ora Smith, teacher,— $40.00.

Through Mt. Airy school, Miss Elsie Patterson, teacher— 31.30.

Through Cannan school, Miss Josie Christmas, teacher, 28.00.

Through Agee school, Mrs. Celeste D. Beasley, teacher,— 37.75.

Through Roadside school, Mrs. Pearl Walker, teacher,—21.67.

Through Hixburg and Bethlehem schools, Miss Virginia Tibbs, and Mrs. Mary Patterson, teachers, 20.14.

TO AL. — $429.53.

Also the following white contributions:

To Pollodidson, 4.00.

Lester Carson, 2.00.

Mrs. J. R. Horsley, 2.00.

Nadine Burnette, 1.00.

Mrs. Radie Hughes, 3.00.

Medical wizardry rescues many wounded.

Brazilian plane sinks a German submarine in South Atlantic.

TEST BLACK-OUT

There was a test blackout in this section on Friday evening of last week. The blackout was brief in duration. General compliance was reported here.

DEATHS

MISS AGNES CHRISTIAN

Funeral services for Miss Mary Agnes Christian, long well known and highly esteemed both in Appomattox and Richmond, died in a Richmond hospital after an extended illness. Funeral services were held from the residence of her mother in Richmond, with burial in the family cemetery in this county. She was born in this county in 1899.For a number of years she had been teaching in Richmond. Besides her mother, she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Keeling Sisson, of Richmond and Mrs. G. P. Jennings, of this county, and three brothers, Dr. D. A. Christian, Jr., of Appomattox, W. Dewgard Christian, of Detroit, and I. I. Christian, of Covington.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. Rupert Coleman and Rev. Wade Kay. Rev. Coleman was assisted by Rev. H. F. Jones and Rev. L. P. Brown at the services here.

We extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

RICHARD EARL MOORE

Richard Earl Moore, son of Hal C. and Carrie Martin Moore, died at the home of his father, Mr. H. W. Martin last Thursday after an illness of several weeks.He was born in this county, August 19, 1935. He is survived by his parents and two brothers, Fred Wallace and Edward Houston. Funeral services were held Saturday from Trinity Methodist Church conducted by the Revilhos. E. Johnson. Interment was in Rebecca Cemetery. Active pallbearers were Otho Martin, Jr., David Martin, Robert Moore and Rice Moore.

We extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Collect ration points when you sell country butter, or meat.

Study the Sunday School lesson in this newspaper each week.

Appomattox Lions Club had ladies night last Thursday.

MR. S. A. GILBERT

Mr. Seaborn Anderson Gilbert died at his home, Route 3, Appomattox, Saturday afternoon after an extended illness. He was born in Prince Edward County June 10, 1873, the son of Humphrey A. and Judith Haskins Gilbert. He was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church.

He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Sam Coleman, Mrs. LeGrand Webb, Miss Ora Gilbert, Miss Rachel Gilbert, Howard and Bersley Gilbert, all of Appomattox and Robert Gilbert, of Norfolk and the following brothers and sisters: Andrew Gilbert, of Farmville,James R. Gilbert, of Richmond, Thomas Gilbert, of Appomattox, and Mrs. Ella Rash, of Buckingham.

Funeral services were held from the home, and were conducted by Rev. L. P. Brown and Rev. W. R. Reed. Interment was in the family cemetery. Active pallbearers were F. B. Gilbert, Robert Gilbert, Harry Gilbert, Vincent Rash, Alec Gilbert and Wiley Garrett.

We extend deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Town council met Monday night.

Russians cut off Crimes.

COLORED DOTS

A large crowd attended the annual session of the Easter ing West Union Sunday School held with the Galilee Baptist Sunday School Sunday, October 31, at 10 A. M. The following was carried out during the day: Sunday School conducted by the home school; devotionals conducted by the president; remarks; welcome address by Miss Hester Gilbert; welcome response by Mrs. Ora Scott; music by the Peace delegate; reading and minutes of the minutes and appointment of committees; introduction and welcome of visitors by Miss Jessie Haskins; special music, Why young people leave the Church School, led by Rev. N. R. Jordan; music by Grace Hill delegates; offering, announcements and dinner. Afternoon session: devotionals by Bethlehem delegates; progress reports by local superintendent; committee reports; music by Galilee delegates; literary program conducted by the home school; president's address, offering, announcements and adjournment.

The appreciation service held at the Promise Land Baptist Church for its pastor last Sunday was highly attended by the church members and friends.

The Health for Victory Club will hold its regular meeting with the Mount Zion Baptist Church, Stonewall, this Sunday at 3 P. M.

The annual fall rally will be held at the Galilee Baptist Church this Sunday at the close of the regular preaching services. Each member is asked to give one dollar in addition to his regular salary.

R. Q. Lawing attended the Agricultural conference at Surry County Training School last Friday.

Larger pulp paper output is asked by government.

Many newspapers are not accepting more subscribers because of rationing of newsprint paper.

Capitals of United Nations hail Moscow agreement.

Light vote cast in Virginia in the general election Tuesday.

"Naturally, I don't know when the war will end..."

"The sooner the better, is all I can say. But I know that until it ends, you and I have a duty to your car that gets more important every day...

"EVERY CAR that still runs is an essential cog in the country's whole transportation scheme. As the older cars quit, the ones still left get more and more essential.

"I'm not making scare-talk when I say that even standing in a garage most of the time, your car gets run down. Metals corrode. Oil gets dirty and sludgy. Grease dries out. The battery runs down. Spark plugs get fouled up. Radiator hose connections go bad. Tires get soft, so the sidewalls bend and crack.

"In these times, it's a crime to let this happen. *Because you don't have to!* Almost anyone's car can see him through, if he'll give it a chance.

"We're still here with everything it takes to help protect your car, whatever make it is. You find us short-handed sometimes, but we're long on experience and good equipment and reliable Esso products.

"However little you drive, you need winter oil and a winter grease job. Your battery fit and strong. Your radiator tight and ready with anti-freeze. Your tires checked over, maybe switched around to get the most out of them. This is mighty important right now — to keep your car in service for the duration. Come on in. Right this week. Winter's getting close!"

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NEWSPAPER PULPWOOD COMMITTEE

NEXT THURSDAY is Armistice Day. In other years that day has been dedicated to the memory of the men who gave their lives in World War I. But this year we believe those honored dead would rather join with us, the living, in paying honor to the men of another generation who have taken up the weapons that fell from their lifeless hands.

This year we in this community are asked to observe Armistice Day not with words but with deeds. This year we have a special responsibility.

This Armistice Day marks the beginning of a new drive to make up the shortage in pulpwood. Everyone who can possibly do so is asked to cut an extra cord in honor of some friend or relative in the service.

There are two good reasons for putting the drive on this basis.

First, it takes nearly a ton of pulpwood to supply each man in the service with the many things he needs.

Second, the present pulpwood shortage, 2½ million cords, is just about equal to the number of service men who come from the pulpwood-producing areas.

So if every one of us in this and other pulpwood-cutting communities cuts an *extra* cord for our service man, the emergency will be met. No fighting man will lack any of the thousand-and-one war essentials that are made from pulpwood.

No boy shall die because we failed.

Oakville Items

Oakville, Nov. 2.- Mr. and Mrs. Roland Smith and children, Watt, Daphne, Ralph and Burnette, and Mrs. Terry Rogers spent Sunday at Monroe, Va., visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Watts. Miss Mildred spent the week-end in the same home, returning Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Julian Wooldridge and son, Clayton Stanley and Mrs. Bertice Cumbie spent last week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Cumbie.

Those visiting Mrs. Bernice Doss last week-end were Freedamea Jean Doss, Joe Holley and Lucy Doss, Misses Jamerson and Ruby Doss, and Lewis Doss.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Caldwell and daughter, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lewis.

Cpl. Samuel Lee Page, from A. P. Hill Military Reservation, arrived this week to spend a furlough with his wife and other relatives near Oakville.

We extend sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Hal Moore in their recent sorrow.

Miss Mattie Moss spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. William Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ayers moved this week to a house on H. M. Burge's farm, near here.

Little Tommy Drinkard, who was ill last week is better at this writing.

Mesdames Ocie Moore and Roland Smith and daughter, Daphne, spent Monday in the home of Mrs. F. E. Owen.

Mrs. J. C. Moore, Jr., spent a day last week with Mrs. Clarke Moore, visiting others in the village in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Adams, of Baltimore came back to their home ... Sunday for a visit. The latter's sister and neice, also of Baltimore came with them, returning on Monday.

... and Mrs. Murphy Phelps and son, Layman Phelps, of Lynchburg and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Nash and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Phelps.

Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Rogers and children and Mrs. Daisy Rogers spent Sunday in Lynchburg, visiting relatives. Among them was Mrs. Ellie Rogers, who we regret to say continues ill.

Stonewall

Stonewall, Nov. 1.- Misses Louise Carson and Rachel Chick left last week for Portsmouth, where they have accepted positions.

Mrs. John L. Harrison, of Statesboro, N. C., is visiting her father, J. O. Davidson near here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Turnes spent several days last week in Newport News. Their daughter, Mrs. M. W. Brown is a patient in Riverside hospital, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. W. A. Perrow and son, Robert, of Sherwill, visited her father, R. L. Moore here this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Ackerson, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Carson and E. L. Chick spent Monday in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Harding, of Lynchburg visited Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Harding last week.

Joe Burnette, of the U. S. N. R. spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burnette.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wheeler, of Roanoke spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. B. L. Wheeler.

Miss Edna Adcock visited relatives in Amherst last week.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Oct. 30.- (omitted last week). Rev. A. C. Lawson filled his regular appointment here Sunday A. M., preaching a fine sermon to a large congregation.

Mrs. C. A. Collins spent the week end with Mrs. Callis Ranson, and attended the marriage of Miss Isabelle Ranson to Mr. Roy Gowin, which took place at eight o'clock, Saturday night in the home of the bride. The house was beautifully decorated with ferns and fall flowers, and candles. Only near friends and relatives of the family were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bayliss and children of Washington spent the week-end with Rev. and Mrs. Choclette.

Pvt. Hermon Harvey, of Oregon, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Martin, of Maryland are visiting here.

Mrs. Eddie Warriner and daughter, Lindy, visited Mrs. C. B. Glover Sunday.

Ralph Hanson is in Roanoke, taking a course in welding.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Richardson, of Roanoke spent the week-end with friends here and attended the Go-win-Ranson wedding.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Conner were Mrs. C. A. Collins and Mrs. C. J. Paulette.

Locust Grove

Locust Grove, Oct. 28.- Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Robertson and children, of Newport News spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Robertson.

Mrs. Ida Beale, of Lynchburg, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Willie Beale.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Joe Pauldette, and children, of Prospect, and Hatcher Beale, of Pamplin, were in-guests in this same home on Sunday.

This community was sorry to hear of the death of Miss Agnes Christian. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale and son, Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Beale sat until bedtime Sunday night with Private Johnny Meggingson, in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Meggingson.

Miss Yvonne Beale spent Saturday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Beale.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Beale and daughter, and Miss Alpha May Terry spent a few days last week in Portsmouth and Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Grow and daughter, of Portsmouth spent Tuesday of last week with Mrs. J. K. Miss Edna Meggingson.

COLORED DOTS

(Omitted last week)

Mrs. Fannie Wright Brown died last Monday evening on her way to the doctor's office. Funeral services were held at the Galilee Baptist Church.

A large crowd attended the regular preaching service of the First Baptist Church last Sunday. The pastor, Rev. N. R. Jordan preached a very helpful sermon.

Rev. Thomas Venerable was the guest minister at the regular preaching service at the Promise Land Baptist Church last Sunday. The church choir rendered special music.

Professor A. Miller, supervisor of Farm Shops in the State, visited the Carver high school last Tuesday.He spent the afternoon checking over the vocational department and its work.

Rev. N. R. Jordan was the Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Vain Patterson.

Rev. Thomas Venerable and R. Q. Lawing and son were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Chilton Sunday.

Mrs. Mildred Delaney spent Sunday in Petersburg as the guest of her husband.

Rev. P. W. Price preched at his church in Petersburg last Sunday.

The U. S. O. drive held at the Carver high school last Thursday night was a great success.

From the halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli there aren't many marines who don't sooner or later ride by Greyhound. The same goes for the Army and Navy, not to mention Wacs, Waves and Red Cross gals.

We're happy to serve you now the best we can. But some day when this war is won we're gonna give you more service, more convenience and more comfort than the present strenuous times permit.

Bill-the bus driver

GREYHOUND

"Yes, I'm afraid there's no denyin' it, Judge ...jeeps and trucks and other kinds of motorized equipment have taken the place of the good old horse in modern warfare."

"It's true of lots of things in this war, Eben. Every day we hear of new tactics and requirements and new uses of products. For instance, take the alcohol that is used for war purposes. In World War I, this vitally needed product was used mostly in making smokeless powder, chemical warfare materials and medical supplies. Today it must do far more...it must provide the base for synthetic rubber, indispensable products as synthetic rubber, shatterproof glass, lacquers, plastics and many other of our requirements so essential to victory.

"As a result hundreds of millions of gallons are required every year...half of which is being produced by the beverage distilling industry. Bet you didn't know that, Eben."

"As a matter of fact, I didn't, Judge. That's a mighty important war contribution that had escaped me completely."

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